Women of Color Meeting
March 9, 1990

Thurs. 15 @ 8pm

Agenda

1. CHECK-IN
2. Review of Agenda (any additions)
3. Gifts of the Heart (March 24, 8:00 pm, E Church) - Sandy
4. Newsletter - Amy
   Volunteers Needed to Commit on a Regular Basis
5. Obtaining a Permanent Meeting Place - Pat
6. Meeting Time - Pat
7. Announcements
8. General Discussion

I come out of a tradition where those things are valued; where you talk about a woman with big legs and big hips and black skin. I come out of a black community where it was all right to have hips and to be heavy. You didn't feel that people didn't like you. The values that [imply] you must be skinny come from another culture....Those are not the values that I was given by the women who served as my models. I refuse to be judged by the values of another culture. I am a black woman, and I will stand as best I can in that imagery.

-Bernice Reagon
Black Women and Liberation Movements

"I am who I am, doing what I came to do,
acting upon you like a drug or a chisel
to remind you of your me-ness,
as I discover you in myself."

-Audre Lorde
Sister Outsider

Women of Color Meeting
May 11, 1990

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    - -- Name Change?

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grow into the rainbows our mothers dared to dream.
--Ami

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    --Volunteers needed!!!!

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    --Ideas for fundraisers

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    --Next month's agenda???

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--Audre Lorde
ZAMI: A New Spelling of My Name

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as it should be
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--Cherríe Moraga
"For the Color of My Mother" from
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Women of Color Meeting
May 11, 1990 General Meeting Minutes
Facilitator Sandy Enos

Autonomy of Women of Color

Affiliation with AALGA--Discussion of autonomy and political affiliation with the African American Lesbian and Gay Alliance (AALGA) was continued. The group decided by unanimous vote for us to define ourselves as an autonomous organization, distinct from rather than as a sub-division or subsidiary group of AALGA. We decided to notify AALGA by letter of our decision and to assure them that it is one based on political considerations for autonomy.

Name change--In order to maintain our autonomy, it was decided that a name change would have to occur. Several suggestions were made (Sistahs of Color, Sistahs, etc.). The creation of a Names Committee was suggested, and Kelley and Linda offered to serve in those positions. More suggestions for names will be brought to the next meeting for us to vote on.

Accessible Meeting Space

Several more suggestions for accessible meeting spaces were given (Karuna, ALFA House, Charis). Everyone was in favor of accessibility. By unanimous vote, the group decided to meet at Charis for the June meeting. Helena offered to be responsible for securing the keys for the space.

Update on Newsletter

Everyone thanked the newsletter staff for their hard work. We were impressed by the quality of the newsletter. Anyone who wanted to work on the newsletter was invited to participate, and submissions from everyone were encouraged. The deadline for the June issue is May 22. Deadlines for subsequent issues will be seven to ten days before the first of each month. Financial donations to the newsletter were encouraged.

Expenses

We were reminded by Elaine that we still needed to reimburse members for their financial contributions (about $75) to Gifts of the Heart. Reimbursement to the newsletter staff (about $30) was also mentioned. Sandy told us that we had about $60 in the treasury fund. It was decided that, since we were in debt, we would reimburse everyone as the money came in. Ami reminded us that a suggested donation of $2.00 is asked of everyone at each general meeting. The steering committee said they would work on some ideas for fundraisers and bring them before the group at the next meeting. Everyone was encouraged to bring fundraiser ideas to the next meeting.

Steering Committee

The steering committee (Sandy, Ami, Pat) asked for volunteers to participate on the committee. It was noted that three more wimmin are

needed to commit six months of attendance at the meetings and that anyone could attend the steering committee meetings. It was suggested that anyone interested in participating could attend a few times to see if she wanted to commit for the entire time. Linda and Kelley said they would try to make it to the next meeting. No one officially volunteered, so the steering committee asked everyone to consider their decisions until the next general meeting.

Mail-out Committee

Sandy asked for volunteers to maintain the mailing list and to mail out any necessary flyers to the group. Ami told everyone that several wimmin were sending letters and notes to the group, asking for information. Elaine said she would be glad to maintain the mailing list if the task only involved putting additional names on the list. It was noted that the group doesn't have the funds to mail out on a regular basis. Sandy and Ami volunteered to mail out the minutes of the meeting to inform everyone of the new meeting space, etc.

General Discussion

Ami asked if the group could change the meeting time back to 7:30 pm instead of 8:00 pm in order to keep the meeting from running too late. Everyone agreed and the meeting time will be at 7:30 pm every second friday in the month.

NOTE: June's general meeting will be held on June 8, 7:30 pm at Charis Books and More on Euclid and Moreland Ave. The agenda will include suggestions for names, discussion of a statement of purpose, ideas for fundraisers, and discussion of volunteers for the steering committee. All wimmin are welcome! Don't miss it!!!!

Women of Color Meeting
July 13, 1990

AGENDA

14^{00} collected
5^{00} Linda
5^{25} Iris (printing)

1. Check-in

2. Review of Agenda

3. Review Minutes, June 8, 1990
    -approve Minutes

16^{00}

4. Naming of Organization

5. Imani
    -needs committee

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problems c̄ last minutes
leads us into
5. Discussion of statement of
purpose again
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7. Steering comm. reiterate
needs/commitment
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Social 7 coffeehouse
interest groups
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Sun 6/21

Topic: Spirituality & Lesbian Community

Announcements—

Sat Aug 8, 1992 - UNITE - 1 day conference
- all black/gay organizations
11-8 P.M.
raffle tickets - $1 to raise $ for conference
see Venus
need to sell tickets ASAP
will hear more about it after Pride

Fri ~~$~~ 6/26 - Friends/AALGA fundraiser
" Do Yo Mama Know?"
at Goodies, $5 admission

Sat 6/27 - contact Kenneth to ride in AALGA vehicle for Parade
stepoff for Pride is at Civic Center Parking Lot
12 Noon

Gloria is a Grand Marshall in the parade
AALGA meets 1st Sun of every month

Request Pamphlets - ZAMI - ready for Pride
or Flyer ≈ $1000

Spirituality ≠ Religion - realized when she came out
1/2 do go to church, & some for ~~[illegible]~~ social reasons
First MCC has Sunday School

Spirituality ≠ loving everybody
" = being honest w/yourself first

what feeds your spirituality?
Nature
Intense work
Sharing w/other people

Truth is within you - you can't get it from somebody else (organized religion)
the less she go to church, the more spiritual she becomes

Learning to pay attention to your intuition - trusting yourself
self-confidence

Buddhism - beyond sexuality

Validity & teaching
History of Bible
Old Testament pertains to Jews
King James version
Book of Dead → Bible
Greeks invading Egypt - paganism, destroyed university
all African/American people have more than enough spirituality
Point of discovery - deepness, longing
being in tuned w/nature
Ignorance = anesthetic

Sexism
God vs. sexuality

When ~~they~~ she came out - churchgoers became less than spiritual
First MCC - music isn't right, boring - missing a gospel choir
what makes people go to traditional black churches & negative teachings vs going to a gay supportive church

Connectedness through song
Spirituality - everybody wants it, but people take the easy way out & take the name of religion
~~[illegible]~~ already has set up rules, how you're supposed to be
MCC trying to feed you a little bit of everything, & nobody's getting full
homophobia in Baptist church - queens in choir & behind organ
spirituality - to be whole in yourself & share it with others

Puzzle w/ missing pieces – African people finding themselves & spirituality again
Most things that are spiritual are innate in each of others
Respect for others' religions

Party at Pride under the Tents
We bring tables, chairs
458-1924
Kenneth
allowing you to set up
at 8^{30} AM
til it gets dark

Tracy = 2 T-shirts
Saundra – wants to pay dues & 1 T-shirt

Future topics – Gay Issues & Politics

Tonia and Edith will check on a woman for Self Defense teacher.
ZAMI will do the marketing, advertising, secure the space. We will split the proceeds 60% to the teacher and 40% to the ED.
Astraea grant will allow us to do the work to educate ourselves on lesbians of color

WEEKLY OFFICE CHORES
Cleaning front bathroom, vacuum hallway, breakroom, front room
We need to sign up today---Simone----December Tonia---January Frances---Feb
Simone---March BJ---April Jowanna---May Edith---June MAA---July
Charone---August Lynn—September
You can only put trash in Decatur trash bags. So fill up each trash bag before putting it out.

ADVISORY COUNCIL—to be our eyes and ears in the community
MAA called Nikia who teaches research at Morehouse School of Medicine will construct a research survey by January---what kind of programming do women want?
How does Advisory Council differ from the Board? Board is fiscally responsible for the organization and sets policy. Advisory Council will see what women want and carry out ideas. How to recruit for Advisory Council? From the membership pool and the commitment would be for one year.

Frances suggested Jill Ford for Advisory Council. She was dependable during scholarship weekend.

ADDITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS
What can Board members bring to the table?
MAA suggested Nikia----she is 27, dependable, reliable, an integral part of the scholarship weekend, smart, she is young and can bring in other 20 somethings.

MAA suggested Lana Williams----Financial Advisor. She has done workshops for ZAMI. Jowanna will see if she is interested.

2004 REGULAR OFFICE HOURS
Ladonna, Jai and Frances Andrews have offered time to spend in the office so we can keep it open during the day. For example, its time to get ready for the basketball tournament…Call other organizations, etc. Once women who are not members come in and have an opportunity to volunteer and start a hub of activity here we will be more able to recruit members

BOARD MEETING ON 2nd SATURDAY FROM 12-2 WITH A COMMITMENT OF REVIEWING THE AGENDA ITEMS BEFORE COMING TO THE MEETING

Lynn's job has established a scholarship for her niece. ZAMI will contribute.

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11/02/96
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
783 North Parkwood Road, Decatur, GA 30030

Facilitator:

Note taker:

Timekeeper:

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Agenda topics

11:00-11:10 AM	Queerying the South Conference	Mary Anne
11:10-11:20 AM	FSC Sponsor Project Update	Mary Anne
11:20-11:40 AM	Fundraising Ideas	All
11:40-11:45 AM	Membership & Finance Update	Iris
11:45-11:55 AM	Voice Mail	Yvette
11:55-12:05 PM	Lambda Center	BJ
12:05-12:20 PM	ADS for Newsletter	All
12:20-12:30 PM	Other	All

Special notes:

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11:40-11:45 AM Membership & Finance Update Iris

Discussion:

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11:45-11:55 AM Voice Mail Yvette

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11:55-12:05 PM Lambda Center BJ

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ZAMI'S Steering Committee Meeting

2/1/97
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
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Facilitator: MAA **Note taker:**

Attendees: Frances, BJ, Carla, MAA

----- Agenda Topics -----

✓ 1.	Kathy Morris Party/Reading	Iris/All	11:00-11:20 AM
2.	Scholarship Reception	All	11:20-11:40 AM
3.	Voice Mail-ZAMI LINE 370-0920	Mary Anne	11:40-11:50 AM
4.	Membership & Finance Report	Iris	11:50-12:10 PM
5.	Red Top Mountain Retreat	Michelle	12:10-12:30 PM

Other information

Special notes:

Tease | Please Feb-MAA

Real 11^{30} pm

(27, 28, 29 this
Pride Weekend)

Decor

✓ 1. MEETING SPACE AND TIME.

2. VARIETY SHOW- RADIO SHOW

3. LESBIAN HEALTH FAIR | Women Research | Trials | HIV+ ? | Information about Bone Marrow Donations

4. LESBIAN CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

5. SCHOLARSHIP/ DUES

6. SECRETARY WITH COMPUTER SKILLS

7. NEWSLETTER ASSISTANCE

October 1 Hr
DeKalb College
Call BJ ?

Sharon Love Newsletter
→

ZAMI's Steering Committee Meeting

August 2, 1997
11:00 AM to 1:45 PM
864 Glenway Drive
East Point, GA 30344

Iris Fax #
559-8439

Meeting called by:

Note taker:

Facilitator:

Attendees:

Next meeting Steering Co. Meeting
8/23 at 11 am Frances

----- Agenda Topics -----

1.	Grant Application to Youth Funding Initiative ✓	Mary Anne	11:00-11:30 AM
2.	ZAMI Logo designed by Sharon Lane ✓	Mary Anne	11:30-11:40 AM
3.	Black Gay Pride:ZAMI Events ✓	Michelle	11:40-12:00 PM
4.	ZAMI info for Blk Gay Pride	Michelle	12:00-12:10 PM
5.	ZAMI Sept Meetings @ Charis ✓	Iris	12:10-12:20 PM
6.	Sept Steering Committee Elections	All	12:20-12:30 PM
7.	Financial Report	Iris/Mary Anne	12:30-12:45 PM
8.			erotic
9.			Dancers
10.	Thursday, August 28, 1997		
11.	(Operation) Wed nite 7 pm		
12.			
13.			

Other information

Special notes:

Sistahly?

4th Sunday in Sept 9/28
2nd Sunday Oct 10/12

ZAMI's Steering Committee Meeting

August 2, 1997
11:00 AM to 1:45 PM
864 Glenway Drive
East Point, GA 30344

Meeting called by:

Note taker:

Facilitator:

Attendees:

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Other information

Special notes:

School yr (Clark Atlanta)

Oct - May

$ 3,000 Scholarship outreach

$ 5,000

$300 10-15 hrs per month

includes meeting

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Other information

Special notes:

ZAMI Steering Committee Meeting

02/07/98
11:00 AM to 1:05 PM
BJ's
2203 Kilarney Road
Decatur, GA 30032

Facilitator: **Note taker:**

Attendees:

----- Agenda Topics -----

1. Brief Check-In	All	11:00-11:10 AM
2. Reading /Correction of Minutes	Michelle	11:10-11:20 AM
3. Carla's Report	Iris	11:20-11:35 AM
4. Scholarship Fundraising:Ltrs, Personal Solicitations,AFREKETE, T-shirts	Mary Anne	11:35-11:55 AM
5. Membership Renewal Letters	Mary Anne	11:55-12:05 PM
6. Singles Soiree (Contract w/Indigo)	Venetta/Shandra	12:05-12:15 PM
7. Penny Mickelbury Book Signing	Iris	12:15-12:25 PM
8. Fourth Sunday Meeting(Special Program)	Mary Anne	12:25-12:35 PM
9. Sharon Lane's Contract	Michelle	12:35-12:45 PM
10. People of Color Coalition	Mary Anne	12:45-12:55 PM
11. Black History Program (ITLA)	Michelle	12:55-1:05 PM

Other information

Sunday, July 12, 1998
1:30 pm

ZAMI STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Agenda

1. Participation in ITLA Black Gay Pride
2. Recruitment of Steering Committee Members
3. Celebrating Black Lesbian Scholarship Weekend (Oct 23-25)

Sunday, July 12, 1998
1:30 pm

ZAMI STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Int[illegible]

Agenda

1. Participation in ITLA Black Gay Pride
2. Recruitment of Steering Committee Members
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Agenda

ZAMI
Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, September 24, 1999
6:00 PM
Sandra Jones
995 Hearthstone Pl.
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Attendees:

Agenda Topics

- ***Introduction of 1999-2000 Board Members***
- ***Old Business:***
  Regular Meeting Date/Time and Location
  Disbursement of Scholarship Funds
  $10,000 Grant from Community Foundation
  Construction of Website
  Sept Potluck
- ***New Business:***
  Brochures
  Direct Mailing
  Scholarship Reception
- ***Announcements***
- ***Adjournment***

Agenda

ZAMI
Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, September 24, 1999
6:00 PM
Sandra Jones
995 Hearthstone Pl.
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Attendees: Maryanne adams, Carla Lubb, Frances Wood, Gretchen ~~[illegible]~~, Blake, Sandra Jones Sylvia Dunmore Alesia Harris (new) Beryl Jackson (RJ)

Agenda topics

Regular Meeting Date/Time/ Location ATLANTA CANCER Lesbian ~~1530~~ Sandra Jones 9-24-99 6PM. 995 Hearthstone Stone MT.

Discussion: July 17th Last meeting 1530 Suite A DeKalb Ave. Regular Reg. 2nd Thurs. of month - 6:30 Next meeting OCT. 14th, Nov. 11th Ruth Ellis oldest out living Blk. Dyke

Conclusions: 3rd Weekend Feb. 18th + 19th
FRI SAT.
SAT. Film Feb. 19th (free) 7 Friday

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:

Edith Biggers
Yvette Davis
Fiona Lewis
Stephanie Steel

New members not in attendance

Disbursement of Scholarship Funds

Alesia Bakery

Friday / Sat

Linda Bryant

Time to be out

Discussion: First - E ~~[illegible]~~ Sister's Room 828 W. Peachtree

828 Warehouse Edita

Carla will do Chair for 6 mos. with BJ Starting

Conclusions: Oct. 1, 1999.

Sylvia Setup website & Gretchen help write

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
9/~~25 TR~~	B.J. ask Linda Bryant	

$10,000 Grant from Community Foundation

Discussion:

2200 Magdalene Party

2100 Retreat before 3/31

Conclusions: 1,000 Scholarship 7% to

Doing Scholarship

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Announce Mentoring Program		

Website

Discussion:

Sylvia + Gretchen help write

Conclusions:

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:

Bring in Kathy Morris + CC Carter

Alternate Secretary each meeting

Sept Potluck		
Discussion:		
Conclusions:		
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Brochures		
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Scholarship Reception		
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MEETING AGENDA

ZAMI, Inc.
P.O. Box 2502
Decatur,GA
30031

Meeting Description ZAMI, Inc., Board Meeting

Results Desired To develop a plan for the annual Audre Lorde Scholarship Celebration, activities with Afrekete, and a Direct Mailing Campaign

Date Thursday, Oct 14, 1999 **Time** [6:30 p.m.] **Location** [ALCI]

Scheduled Time			Actual Time		
Start	Stop	Total Hours	Start	Stop	Total Hours
[6:30 P.M.]	[8:00 P.M.]	1.5			

Persons Attending	
1	Mary Anne Adams
2	Gretchen Blake
3	Edith Biggers
4	Yvette Davis
5	Sylvia Dunmore
6	Alesia Harris
7	Beryl Jackson
8	Sandra Jones
9	Fiona Lewis
10	Carla Rabb
11	Frances Wood

Items To Be Discussed		✓
1	Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta	
2	Audre Lorde Scholarship Celebration: PR, Location, Kathy Morris, Venus Mag, Speakers, Music, Gifts...	
3	Afrekete / ZAMI Activities: Leadership Development... Sister Circles... Health / Employment	
4	Fundraising, Brochures, Direct Mailing Campaign, Web Site	
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Assignments		Person Responsible

MEETING NOTES

Agenda

ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 2000
6:30-8 PM
Innovox Lounge
699 Ponce de Leon
Atlanta, GA

Attendees:

Agenda Topics

- ***Introductions***
- ***Chair Calls Meeting To Order***
- ***Review/ Approval of February Minutes***
- ***Old Business:***
  - Scholarship Weekend
  - Dueling Lesbians Game Show
  - Atlanta Women's Fund Grant

New Business:

- Scholarship Applications/Brochures
- 2000 Scholarship Celebration
- Leadership Development Workshop 3/25
- Mentor for Rainbow House Resident
- Office Space
- Organizational Award from Literary Exchange

- ***Announcements***
- ***Adjournment***

ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

4/13/00
6:30 PM
The Picture Lady @ Studio Plex 659 Auburn Ave., (Studio144) Atlanta, Georgia

Agenda Topics

Attendees:

Mary Anne Adams
Carla Rabb
Edith Biggers
Frances Wood
BJ
Fiona Lewis
Sylvia Dunmore
Sandra Jones
Iris Rafi
Akwe

Chair calls meeting to order

Review / Approval of March 9, 2000 Minutes

Old Business:

Atlanta Women's Fund Grant
Leadership Development Workshop
Office Space
Scholarship Applications
Date for 2000 Scholarship Weekend
Web Site

New Business:

501 (c) 3 Status

Future Fundraising Activities: Events, Grants, Donations

Discussion with Second Sunday

Presentations:

Triangle Ice
GA. Stonewall Democrats

Announcements

Adjournment

Notes:

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Notes:

Subject: **Follow up on ZAMI web site**
Date: Wed, 12 Apr 2000 21:30:22 -0400
From: "Wendy Darling" <wdarling@abraxis.com>
To: <madam04@emory.edu>, <zami@africana.com>

Mary Anne -

Hi, it's Wendy. Aside from being hot, it was nice to come over and meet with you and go over things.

Here is the information you will need to bring to the board meeting:

HOSTING COSTS

Web hosting through Interland for 2 years will be appox. $13/month = $312.
Interland also charges a one-time $40 set-up fee.
You have already bought the domain so you won't have to pay for that again.
Total web hosting = $352

DEVELOPMENT COSTS

I would be happy to do this site for $150. This money would cover the initial development of the site (programming, graphics, pictures), set-up with hosting through Interland, and the set up of your online calendar with Calendars.net. (Just so you and the Board are aware, my normal rate is $30/hour so this is a good deal because I will certainly put in more than 5 hours of work on this.)

10 REASONS WHY ZAMI
NEEDS A WEB SITE

These days, people EXPECT it.
It's another way to contact you (can list it on brochures, ads, event flyers, etc.)
Some people in Atlanta may find out about you more easily by the web than by any other way.
People all over the WORLD will be able to find out about you.
Way to publicize scholarship program and get more applicants.

Movie Night
8/19 = 8/26

Yard Sale
8/12

where?
Painting
7/29

ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

6/13/00
7:00 PM
VA. Highlands Baptist Church @ 743 Virginia Ave., Atlanta, Georgia

Agenda Topics

Attendees:

Mary Anne Adams
Edith Biggers
Frances Wood
BJ
Fiona Lewis
Sylvia Dunmore
Sandra Jones
Iris Rafi
Akwe
Cori Russell
Virginia Hunt

Paint it - 1 Gallon
Rug
Salvage (Furniture)

Chair calls meeting to order

Review / Approval of June 8, 2000 Minutes

Old Business:

Items at Adele's Home Done
The National Black Lesbian Conference Done
501 © 3 Application (Wait)
Committee Assignments
Monthly Fund Raisers: 2nd Yard Sale
Decorating Office Space

New Business:

Current Financial Report
Visit from Third Wave Feminist Foundation on 7/ 16/ 00
Scholarship Applications

Presentation:

In The Life Atlanta

Announcements

Adjournment

Thur - Fri
FYI

Monday 1/2 830
9 pm

Iris
Frances
Cori

7/29

$25.00

Send
Receipt
newsletters

Blackworldtoday.com

Zami Board Retreat
St. George Island, GA
June 22-24, 2001
Facilitated by
Joan P. Garner

AGENDA

~~**Friday, June 22, 2001 (6pm –8:30pm)**~~

- ~~Welcome & Dinner~~

Saturday, June 23, 2001 (9:00am – 4:30pm)

- Welcome & Introductions (logistics)
- Ground Rules & Expectations
- Break
- Zami Overview (herstory)
- Generating the Vision
- Lunch
- Reflections – Check in
- Revisit the Mission
- Translating the vision into goals
- Break
- Current Challenges
- Building Objectives from Goals
- Board Roles and Responsibilities
- Wrap-up – Next Steps

Sunday, June 24, 2001 (9:00am – 12:00 noon)

- Opening
- Ask and You Shall Receive
  - Who Gives, and Why?
  - What Do You Think About Money?
  - What You Need Before You Begin Raising Money
- Break
- Evaluation and Closing

ZAMI SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
ATLANTA, GA
January 4, 2003
10:00am – 1:00pm
Facilitated by
Joan P. Garner

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Check-ins
  - Name length + position with Zami
  - One thing grateful for in 2002/ One goal in 2003

II. Ground Rules

III. Expectations for this meeting

IV. Review Zami's Mission/Discuss Core Values

V. Pose the Question: Theoretically, What does it mean to open an organization beyond what it is currently, i.e. Board, membership, activities, etc.?

VI. Practically, what will it look like for Zami to open up to Women of Color? What are the barriers, what are the advantages?

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ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

01/11/2003
10-12 PM
YouthPride Center
302 East Howard, Decatur, GA

Agenda Topics

Attendees:

Mary Anne Adams, Executive Director
Edith Biggers
Beryl Jackson, Chair
Tonia Poteat
Lynn Duhart
Frances Wood
Charone Pagett
Jowanna C. Tillman
Simone Bell, Intern

Chair calls meeting to order

Review / Approval of 1/4/02 Information from Board Workshop

Old Business:

Board Openings

Membership

Fears to Opening Membership to All Lesbians of Color

Announcements

Adjournment

Notes:

Agenda

ZAMI

Agenda topics

Board Openings	All	
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ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

08/16/2003
11-2 PM
YouthPride Center
302 East Howard, Decatur, GA 30030

Agenda Topics

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Mary Anne Adams, Executive Director
Beryl Jackson, Chair
Edith Biggers
Tonia Poteat
Lynn Duhart
Frances Wood
Charone Pagett
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Simone Bell

Chair calls meeting to order

Old Business:

Dating Game
Update on Meeting Place
Membership Drive
Opening Membership to All Lesbians of Color
Gay Pride
Drag King Show
Update on Scholarship Weekend
Bond Credit Union
Report on Fund Raising Workshop
T-Shirts

New Business Cont:

Asmara's Resignation

Announcements

Adjournment

Notes:

ZAMI Board of Directors Retreat

06/14/2003
10-5 PM
St. George Island, Florida

Agenda Topics

Attendees:

Beryl Jackson, Chair
Mary Anne Adams, Executive Director
Edith Biggers
Tonia Poteat
Lynn Duhart
Frances Wood
Charone Pagett
Jowanna C. Tillman
Simone Bell, Intern

Chair calls meeting to order

Ice Breaker

Business Items:

Membership Drive
Board Duties & Responsibilities
Committee Reports/ Fundraising Activities
Executive Director Resignation
New Executive Director
Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund
Opening Membership to All Lesbians of Color
GLADD
Focus Group

Announcements

Adjournment

Notes:

Retreat

Membership Drive — Goal 50 members

Contact Kathy about T Shirts — Monday

Name Zami

Symbol (Faces)

(Kathy)
Set up account.

How many do we need to buy.

Mary Ann make membership cards

Find underwriter for party.

100 Women party.

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ZAMI, Inc
Board Meeting Agenda
(January 22, 2007)
(Atlanta Lesbian Health Initiative)
(6:00- 7:30 pm)

Activity	**Action**
Minutes from previous meeting	
Chair's Report: Board Application	
Future Events: Charis Circle on 2/16 Film Festival	
2/18 Audre Lorde's Birthday Celebration	
Seven Stages My Left Breast 2/21	
Zora 2/17	
$18 for group of 10 and over... 25% Deposit 10 days prior to event	
Office Space	
40 plus Pot Luck	
Jack's Camera	
Other Business	
- Old (Scholarship Donations) Archives	
- New	
- Announcements	
Review of Actions from Meeting	
Date for Next Board Meeting	
Adjourn	

ZAMI, Inc
Board Meeting Agenda
(February 28, 2007)
(Atlanta Lesbian Health Initiative)
(6:00- 8:00 pm)

Activity	Action
Call to Order	
Minutes from previous meeting	
Old Business:	
Chair Elect- Simone Bell	
Board Applications	
Feb Events: Charis, 7 Stages,	
Women of ZAMI Calendar	
FSC- Scholarship Donations	
Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund: African Scholars	
Invitation to Kerrie Cotten Williams for March Meeting to discuss Archives	
Lesbians of Color 40 plus Potluck	
Office/ Meeting Space	
Focus Groups	
New Business:	
Unity Fellowship Honors ZAMI on 3/11	
StoryCorps Griot	
FundRaisers for ZAMI/ Scholarship Fund	
Advisory Council/ Fundraising Committee?	
Announcements	
Review of Actions from Meeting	
Date for Next Board Meeting	
Adjourn	

ZAMI, Inc.

Board of Directors Training

Saturday, March 29, 2008

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Location: YouthPride

Training Agenda

Welcome	1 min.
Review of agenda	2 min.
Board Check-In	2 min. each
Overview of organization:	
History, Mission	20 min.
The Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund	40 min.
Overview of Board Structure	45 min.
Lunch	12- 12:30 pm
Fundraising	60 min.
Next Steps	30 min.

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1.00

12:30 -1 pm

ZAMI BOARD MEETING

Saturday April 26, 2008
2:00-4:00 p.m.
House of IntegriTEA

Agenda

I. Call to order – roll call

II. Approval of last meeting minutes

III. Chairperson's Report

Fundraising Events:

House Party hosted by Sallie Herbert and Pat Del Ray on 5/18

Love Conjure Blues, A MultiMedia Production by Playwright Sharon Bridgeforth on 6/28

Private Thoughts on Cumming Out by Playwright Joy Shannon- Labor Day Weekend

IV. Committee reports/assignments

ZAMI Membership Drive

Placement of solicitation containers

Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund Donor Outreach

Audre Lorde Scholarship Alumni Letter

Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund Application Review

3:30 pm- 4:00 pm Anare Holmes- In the Life Atlanta

V. Calendar

VI. Adjournment

ZAMI, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting

8/1/2008
10:00 AM- 12:00 PM
Auburn Avenue Research Library
Atlanta, GA

Agenda Topics

Old Business:

ZAMI Archives Materials

Joy Shannon's Play $4,000 ?

Scholarship Weekend: Send check to Lorraine

$200

Venues- First E, Holiday Inn,
Bellissima Free Space Cash Bar

560 B Amsterdam Ave ATL 30306

Friday night dinner menu at Holiday Inn

Sat Brunch- Bellissima LaTonya Peoples 100

Budget Review

Podcast

New Business:

Georgia Stonewall Democrats

2004 A.L. Scholar: Kazem Aldullah

Bellissima Mix-her with Atlanta Dream- August tentative date

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Agenda topics

Board Openings	All	
Discussion:		
Conclusions:		
Action items:	Persons responsible:	Deadline:

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ZAMI Board of Directors Meeting

08/16/2003
11-2 PM
YouthPride Center
302 East Howard, Decatur, GA 30030

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Attendees:

Mary Anne Adams, Executive Director
Beryl Jackson, Chair
Edith Biggers
Tonia Poteat
Lynn Duhart
Frances Wood
Charone Pagett
Jowanna C. Tillman
Simone Bell

Chair calls meeting to order

Old Business:

Dating Game
Update on Meeting Place
Membership Drive
Opening Membership to All Lesbians of Color
Gay Pride
Drag King Show
Update on Scholarship Weekend
Bond Credit Union
Report on Fund Raising Workshop
T-Shirts

New Business Cont:

Asmara's Resignation

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